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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 6, 2003. Claims 11-13 were pending in this application. Claim 11 is amended, and claims 12-13 are amended formally.

New claims 14-17 are added. The new claims are patentable for the reasons below.

Attached is a translation of the applied reference Koike, supplied to the undersigned attorney by his Japanese associate. On information and belief, this is a computer translation of the reference supplied by the Japanese Patent Office.

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